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Applicant: Barsanti et al.
Title: BENZIMIDAZOLE
QUINOLINONES AND USES
THEREOF
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 18, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. With acceptance of the accompanying fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), the time for response is extended to March 18, 2007. As March 18, 2007 falls on a Sunday, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, the time for response is further extended to March 19, 2007 and this response is timely filed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit

Account No. 50-2350. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: